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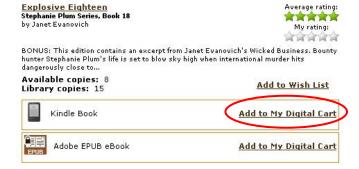
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A. Some publishers (for example, Penguin) do not want their titles sent via wireless so those titles must be downloaded and transferred manually.

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- Connect your Kindle to your computer with the cable (remove the AC adapter from the power cord to reveal the USB connector). Your Kindle will appear as a removable mass storage device.
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